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None.

## REMARKS

This application is a 371 application from Japanese patent application PCT/JP03/14224 filed on November 7, 2003 which is based on Japanese patent application No. 2002-325220 filed on November 8, 2002, of which priority is claimed to both applications.

The claims have been slightly amended to conform to US practice guidelines and to eliminate multiple dependent claims.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

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